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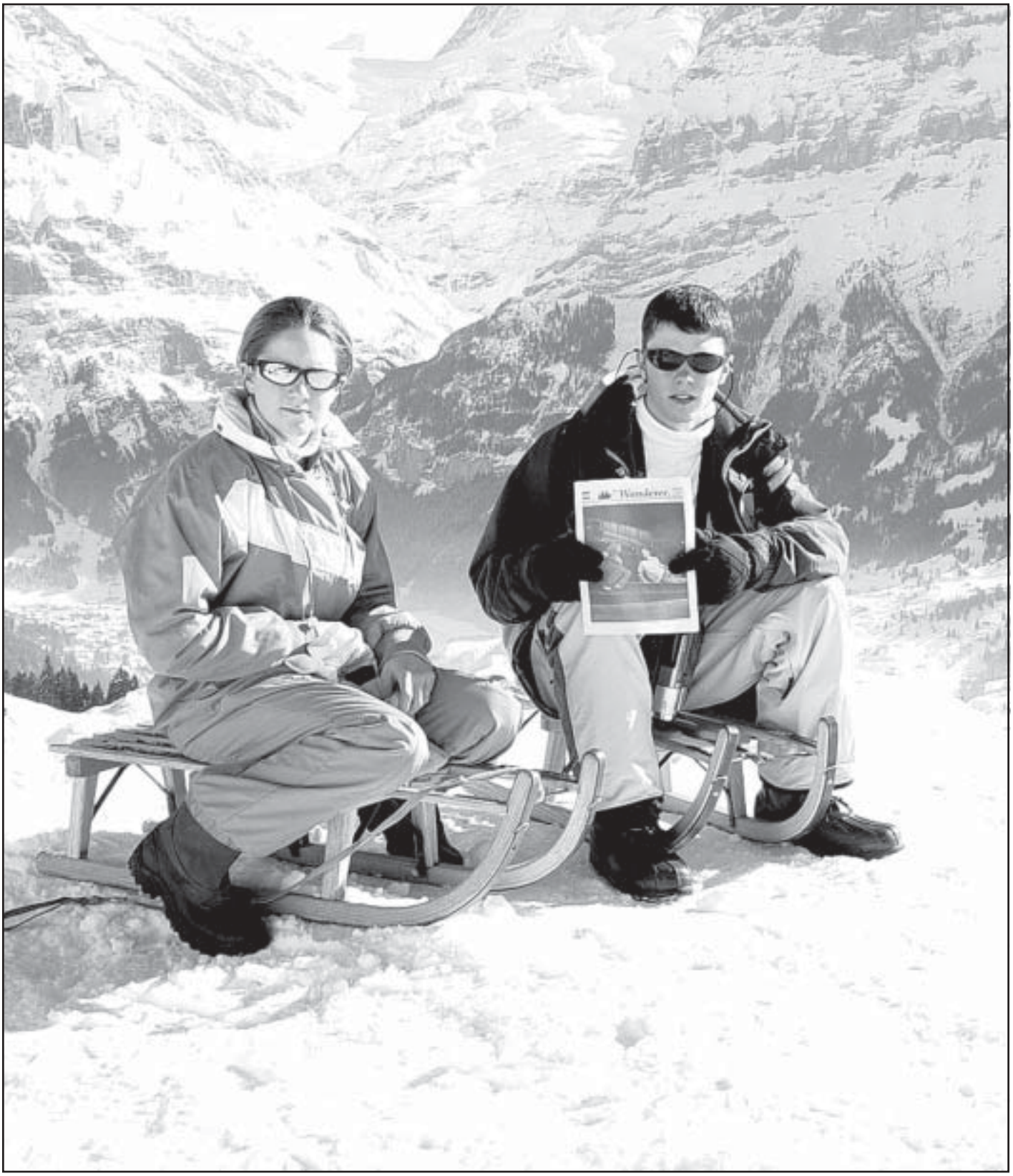

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Marion to Consider Regional Water District

On Monday, April 28, Marion citizens will have the opportunity to deliberate the establishment of a District Water Planning Committee when they discuss Article 11 at the Annual Town Meeting.

If the voters pass the article, the Board of Selectmen will be authorized to create an unpaid committee consisting of three Marion residents. The committee would join with similar committees in the Towns of Fairhaven and/or Mattapoisett. The article would also authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate the sum of $50,000 for the engineering, legal and other expenses of the committee.

Together they would study the advisability of establishing a regional water district commission to construct and operate water treatment and other water service facilities for its member towns. The committee would report its findings and recommendations to the Selectmen.

The Marion Water Subcommittee, created in July 2002, has been investigating potential water sources for the past ten months. With Draconian cutbacks from the state, it has concluded that the most efficient, expedient and cost-effective approach would be some type of regionalization. Such collaboration could result in saving each of the communities millions of dollars in comparison to individual towns assuming the costs independently. The Marion Water Subcommittee urges voters to attend the Town Meeting on April 28 to explore this article in depth.

Above: *Members of the Mattapoisett Recreation 2003 Fifth and Sixth Grade Girls League Championship team, the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. The champs include Caitlin Gagnon, Amanda Georgescu, Sarah Kassabian, Ann Marie Kassabian, Alia Marinone, Claire Martin, Brianne Mello, Lily Murolo, and Jill Parker. The team is coached by Jay Kassabian, Bill Marinone, and Jay Mello. (Photo courtesy of John Haley).*

On the cover: *Corinna Thompson and Geoffrey Rowley, both of Marion, pose with a copy of* The Wanderer *in hand, as they get ready to go sledding. The picture was taken in Grindelwald, Switzerland, during the recent February school vacation week. (Photo courtesy of Joan Wing).*

Financial Privacy

Straus to Address National Conference

State Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett) will be speaking to a forum on financial privacy at the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL) national meeting in Boston later this week. The panel, titled "Financial Privacy: You and Your Personal Information," will be held on Saturday, April 26 at the NCSL Spring Forum in Boston.

The session will discuss options and approaches by the state and federal government to protect financial privacy.

"I am honored that the NCSL asked me to participate in this important panel discussion," Representative Straus said. "With the number of identity thefts rapidly increasing, I believe this timely discussion needs to

Above: *Winners in the recently-held First Annual Primetime Basketball Shootout sponsored by the Mattapoisett and Fairhaven Recreation Departments included: (front row, l. to r.) Catlyn Carando, Madison Lees, Brandon Oldham, Bobby Cote, Nick Gray, (rear, l. to r.) Brittany Lees, Janine Price, Kyle McDonald, Sarah Pacheco, Tommy Meredith, Andrew Ferreira.*

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address the issue of allowing consumers to control who accesses their private information. If a Massachusetts resident wants to give up their privacy to these companies, they can. The presumption in my proposal is that information on a financial transaction is to remain a private matter between the consumer and their bank or insurance company."

Representative Straus filed legislation (H. 285) which utilizes an "opt in" approach to consumer consent to information sharing by financial institutions. "Opt in" requires financial institutions to first obtain the consumer's affirmative consent before sharing consumer information. Representative Straus has been an advocate for privacy issues during his service in the state legislature; earlier this year, his "No Call List" legislation to restrict telemarketers became law.

The National Conference of State Legislators provides a variety of services to help lawmakers tailor policies for their states. NCSL provides a forum for advancing ideas in each state; for promoting information-sharing, one-on-one and collectively; and for providing people with knowledge and resources.

Shooting Stars

Mattapoisett-Fairhaven Shooters Score

The Mattapoisett and Fairhaven Recreation Departments would like to thank all for a great turnout Saturday March 29 for the First Annual Primetime

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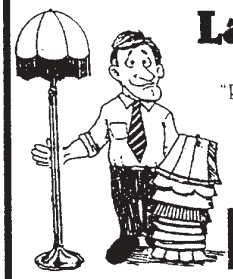

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Shootout. The day was a success thanks to the many coaches, parent volunteers and the 67 participants from Fairhaven and Mattapoisett who tested their shooting skills from various pre-selected spots marked on the floor at the new Old Hammondtown School gymnasium. The shootout was followed by a game between the Mattapoisett youth coaches against the Fairhaven youth coaches won by Fairhaven. This event sparked goodwill between the town Recreation Departments with the hope that this event would continue for years to come.

The winners roster included:

• 9-10 Girls – First: **Caitlyn Carando**; Second: **Madison Lees**;

• 9-10 Boys – First: **Nick Gray**; Second: **Alex**

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• 11-12 Girls – First: **Brittany Lees**; Second: **Janine Price**;

• 11-12 Boys – First: **Bobby Cote**; Second: **Brandon Oldham**;

• 13-14 Girls – First: **Kyle McDonald**; Second: **Sarah Pacheco**;

• 13-14 Boys – First: **Andrew Ferreira**; Second: **Tommy Meredith**.

Sports Shorts

Mattapoisett Basketball Champs

The Mattapoisett Recreation 2003 Basketball Championships for Fifth and Sixth Graders recently yielded a winning boys and girls team.

The **2003 Boys League Champs**, coached by **Peter Nelson** and **Tom Cote**, include **Bobby Cote**, **Conor Boardwick**, **Brendon Piehler**, **Terel Soares**, **Cam Kelleher**, **Zach Midwood**, **Michael Clancy**, **Brennan Goguen**, and **Nick Nelson**.

The **2003 Girls League Championship team**, the Notre Dame Fighting Irish, consisted of **Caitlin Gagnon**, **Amanda Georgescu**, **Sarah Kassabian**, **Ann Marie Kassabian**, **Alia Marinone**, **Claire Martin**, **Brianna Mello**, **Lily Murolo**, and **Jill Parker**. The champs were coached by **Jay Kassabian**, **Bill Marinone**, and **Jay Mello**.

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Mattapoisett "AA" and "T" Ball

A combined registration for **"AA" and "T" Ball** will be held on **Tuesday, April 29 at 6:00 pm** in the **Old Hammondtown School Gym**. Those players who want to be considered for "AAA" will be evaluated the same evening. You should be eight years old and possess above-average skills to be "AAA." Placement for "AAA"

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• **May –** Saturday, May 17: Spring club house commissioning and Cookout; Saturday, May 31: Open house - Skippers meeting and Cocktail Party.

• **June –** Wednesday, June 11: First Before and After Race; Saturday, June 14: MYC Spring Round the Bay Race; Wednesday, June 18: Second Before and After Race; Wednesday, June 25: First Race Wednesday Night July Series; Wednesday, June 25: Pizza party after first Wednesday Night Race.

• **July –** Wednesday, July 2: Second Wednesday Night July Series Race; Wednesday, July 9: Third Wednesday Night July Series race; Saturday, July 12: Commodore's Pursuit Race and Clamboil; Tuesday, July 15: First Tuesday Portsmouth Race; Wednesday, July 16: Fourth Wednesday Night July Series race; Saturday, July 19: Sail for Charity; Wednesday, July 23: Fifth Wednesday Night July Series race; Saturday, July 26: MYC rendezvous at Bassett Island, cookout/cocktail party (BYOB); Wednesday, July 30: First Race Wednesday Night August Series.

• **August –** Friday, August 1 - Sunday, August 3: Buzzard's Bay Regatta at New Bedford Yacht Club; Wednesday August 6: Second Race Wednesday Night

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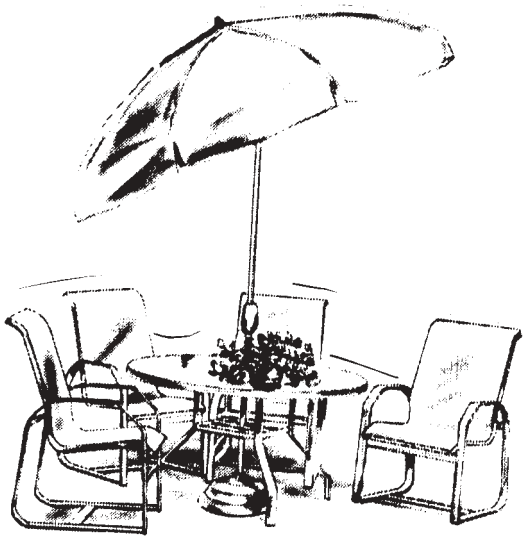

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• **September –** Wednesday, September 3: Third Before and After Race; Saturday, September 6: Quissett Yacht Club Round the Bay; Wednesday, September 10: Fourth Before and After Race; Saturday, September 13: MYC Fall Round the Bay Race; Saturday, September 13: Fall club house de- commissioning; Saturday, September 20: Beverly Yacht Club Hurricane Cup; Sunday, September 21: Pig Roast.

• **October –** Saturday, October 18: Annual Dinner/Meeting.

For additional information on this or other MYC events visit their website at **http://mattapoisettyc.org**.

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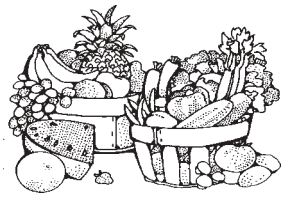
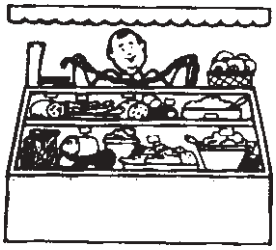
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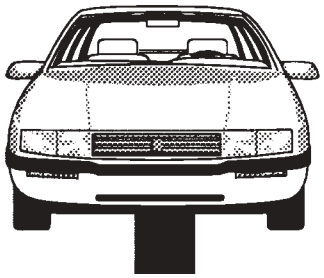
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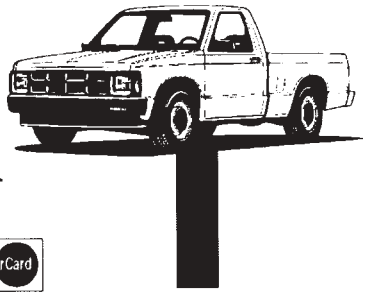
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The Marion Board of Selectmen has been mandated by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to cap the landfill off Benson Brook Road that has been closed since February 2001. The Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator and Chairman of the Finance Committee (FinCom) made a decision to fund the capping of the old landfill by providing 250,000 cubic yards of landfill space to a private firm for the disposal of coal fly ash and construction fines. These decisions were made without public input. The Selectmen are proposing to allow over 9,000 trailer dump trucks loaded to capacity with solid waste be desposited in the Town's Water Supply Protection District.

Coal fly ash, when desposited in an unlined landfill, leaches aresenic, lead and other heavy metals into the ground water. The abandoned landfill off Benson Brook is the headwaters of the stream that runs adjacent to the town's only production well located in Marion. Construction fines are produced at construction demolition recycling plants and contain wood waste that is contaminated with lead paint, gypsum board and asphalt shingles. Construction fines when placed in a landfill and covered produce hydrogen sulfide and methane gas. You will remember that hydrogen sulfide gas resembles the smell of rotten eggs.

The Selectmen give us a lot of rhetoric on their concerns for the town's quality of life, yet they are proposing a significant degradation of that quality by allowing 9,000 trailer dump trucks of dusty, dirty solid waste to pass over the town's streets. I can just imagine how pleased Sippican Corporation and the Sippican Healthcare Facility will be when they get their first breath of hydrogen sulfide gas from the prevailing southwest summer breezes. When the wind is northwest the village, Tabor Academy and visitors on boats in the harbor will get the same

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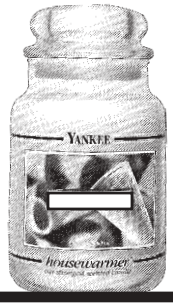

unpleasant surprise.

It is troubling to think that five public officials are proposing this ill-begotten plan without giving the residents an opportunity to make a choice. Their plan endangers the health of the community and represents a substantial degradation in the quality of life in Marion that will result in loss of property values. Decisions made behind closed doors and without proper public input are usually wrong. This proposal is very *wrong.*

Sincerely,
Ray Pickles
Marion

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Maintaining the diversity and quality of ORR education depends critically on passing the overrides for ORR, placed on our ballots by the Selectmen of Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester. To gain support for those overrides by the tri-town Finance Committees and Selectmen the ORR District School Committee has had to cut back severely on its planned operating budget for next year.

In January we proposed a 2003-04 budget designed to maintain this year's programs and support services and, at the same time, to bring the new ORR building complex into full operation. That budget, slightly more than $12 million, included a $524,000 start-up "bump" added to our utilities costs. The new school building complex, nearly twice as large, and subject to new health regulations for ventilation, was expected to be more costly to operate than the original two buildings, but increases in natural gas and electricity rates added substantially to the size of the expected start-up bump — at the worst possible time economically.

Correctly anticipating drastic reductions in state aid to regional schools, tri-town Selectmen and Finance Committees decided that the added $524,000 in new utilities costs should be shared among our three towns through overrides, and that the rest of the ORR budget should increase by no more than 1.7 percent over this year's. To meet that goal we had to cut $449,000 from our original budget, nearly as much as the absolutely essential utilities start-up costs.

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struggled to retain all our excellent teachers but have eaten much of our "seed corn" — the supplies, new teaching materials and staff professional development which keep what and how our children learn among the best available. The cuts we made this year must be restored soon before they erode the quality that has always distinguished ORR. But first we need to be get past this start-up utilities cost bump.

Sincerely,
John Russell
ORR School Committee

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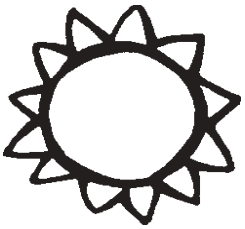

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Operation Care and Share

Girl Scout Troop 29 of Mattapoisett invites the residents in town to join them in sending our "Troops" much-needed items. They will be collecting these items at the Seahorse parking lot on Saturday, May 3 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Items may also be dropped off at the Veterans Office in the Town Hall on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. If you have any questions, please see Paula Butterfield in the Mattapoisett Veterans Office.

Items needed include: baby wipes, lotions (sun tan, etc.), chap stick, lip balm, deodorant, tooth paste, brushes, mouthwash, bar soap, shampoo, Q-tips, disposable razors and cameras, writing paper, cards, envelopes, playing cards, magazines, cassette tapes, zip lock bags (all sizes — this keeps the sand and insects out), nuts, gum, hard candy, Lifesavers, breath mints, Starburst, Twizzlers, Slim Jims, beef jerky, and more. It would also be appreciated if you could write a little note or letter just to show our troops how much you care and say "Thank You." These will be sent with the supplies.

Marion Ham and Bean Supper

The Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2425 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) announced a Ham and Bean Supper and Penny Sale (Silent Auction) on Saturday evening, April 26 at 7:00 pm in the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 in Marion. Featured are three kinds of baked beans, Virginia baked ham with pineapple sauce, cole slaw, various breads and rolls, and butter along with coffee and numerous baked desserts. Donation is $7 per person. For tickets or more information, please contact: G. McWilliams (508-295-9558); J. Robarge (508-295-9107); R. Demeo (508-748-0312); J. Napoli (508-748-2799); or H. Brown Jr. (508-763-5619).

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Spring Chicken Bake

The Marion Social Club will host a Spring Chicken Bake on Sunday, April 27 at the club house, 44 Pumping Station Road in Marion. Tickets are $8 per

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Yoga Classes in Marion

The Marion Recreation Committee is sponsoring yoga classes in the Marion Music Hall on Tuesdays from 8:45 to 10:00 and on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:45 pm for men and women over 18. The cost for eight lessons is $50 for residents and $55 for non-residents.

Yoga is a sophisticated system for achieving radiant physical health, mental clarity and peace of mind. You will not be asked to force your body into any difficult positions. The poses, combined with deep breathing, bring about a calming relaxation. You will go to a level that your body will allow, building strength and flexibility in increments. All classes will end with a guided relaxation.

For more information, please call 508-748-6823 to speak with instructor Tim Donohue. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat.

Mattapoisett Machacam Club

The Machacam Club will hold its May meeting on Wednesday, May 7 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner service at 6:00 pm. The speakers this month will be Ken Watjen and Francis Rowland. They will be sharing the antique glass slide collection with the club. Callers are reminded to report their lists no later than 9:00 pm on May 5.

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Sippican Choral Concert

The Sippican Choral Society will perform its 2003 annual spring concert, "An Evening of Swing," on Saturday, May 10 in the Fireman Performing Arts Center at Hoyt Hall in Tabor Academy in Marion at 8:00 pm. Appearing with the chorus for the concert will be Michelle Gordon on piano, Thomas Brinkley on bass, and Joe Amaral, percussionist.

This concert features the full chorus singing vocal swing and jitterbug favorites from the 1930s and 40s, such as "Tuxedo Junction," "In the Mood," "Blue Skies," "All of Me," "Pennies from Heaven," "I Can't Give You Anything But Love," "It Had to Be You," "When I Fall in Love," and much more.

Songs for the small group will include "Take the A Train" and "How High is the Moon".

The Sippican Choral Society, under the direction of Peter West and accompanied by Michelle Gordon, has been performing at least two concerts every year since its founding in 1964.

Tickets for the May 10 concert are $10 per person and are now available at The Bookstall in Marion, Margaret's Hallmark in Wareham, and at Seaport Village Ice Cream and Coffee Shop in Mattapoisett. Chorus members have tickets for sale, and there will be plenty of tickets available at the door at 7:30 pm on the evening of the concert. The Fireman Performing Arts Center is in Hoyt Hall at 235 Front Street in Marion, on the waterfront

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Marion Scholarship Applications

The Marion Social Club, Inc. will receive applications for scholarship aid from graduating students residing in Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester until April 25, 2003. Please contact your guidance counselor for application forms and details regarding the filing of applications.

All applications shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Scholarship Application" and sent by U.S. Mail to the Marion Social Club, Inc., P.O. Box 763, Marion, MA 02738. The application should arrive before the deadline of April 25.

Rochester Chowder Supper

The First Congregational Church of Rochester invites the community to a special Chowder Supper on Saturday evening, April 26. Join with friends and neighbors in an evening of good food, fellowship, and entertainment as the church celebrates its 300th anniversary this year.

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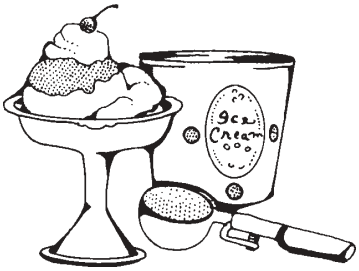

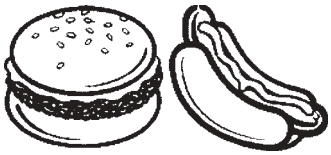

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Comedy Show in Mattapoisett

The Mattapoisett Lions Club is sponsoring "An Evening of Entertainment" at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, April 26 from 7:00 pm to 12:00 midnight. The event commences at 7:00 pm to the music of the local band, Then and Now, for your dancing and listening pleasure. This musical group, featuring vocalist Sharon Jensen, will entertain with songs from the '40s through the present.

Then and Now will be followed on stage at 9:00 pm by the comedy team of Valles and Boros. This dynamic duo is a current version of Abbott and Costello/ Martin and Lewis, with routines that everyone can really appreciate. Rick Valles and Steve Boros are an exciting stand-up comedy team with rapid fire delivery and impeccable timing. Their extensive repertoire features original material as well as classic comedy routines from the golden era of comedy. They have performed at

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various New York comedy clubs and cabarets, such as The Improv, The Comic Strip, Rascals, Bananas, and The New York Comedy Club. Valles and Boros have also made television appearances on Channel 9 in New York.

Tickets for this event are $10 per person and can be purchased at the following area businesses: Seaport Village Coffee Shoppe; G.H. Dunn Insurance Agency; and Don's Tire. Refreshments will be provided by The Shipyard Galley and will be served throughout the evening. This event is expected to be a blockbuster evening. Come and have a good time, enjoy stand-up comedy, and bring your dancing shoes!

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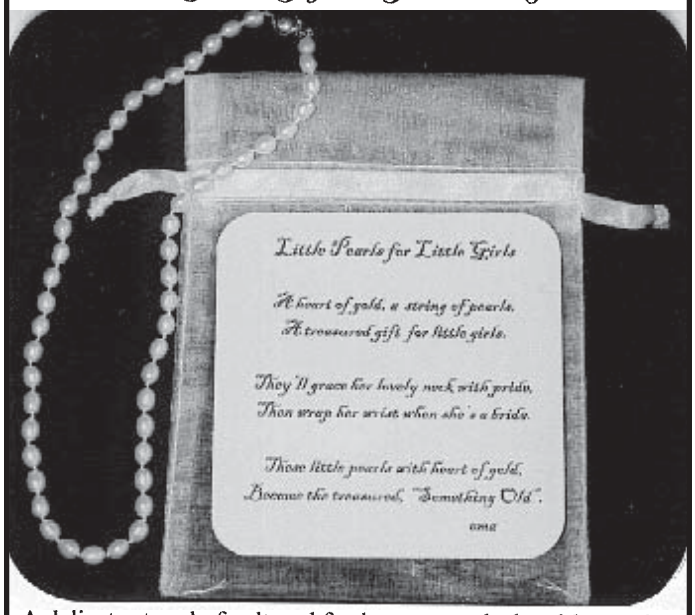

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Town Meeting

If anyone needs transportation to the April 28 Marion Town Meeting, please call the COA at 508-748-3570.

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their meeting times to Monday and Wednesday from 9:00 to 10:00 am and Thursday from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon. The group meets in front of Sippican School in Marion. New members are always welcome and you do not need to be a senior to join the fun!

Shopping

The Senior Van travels to the IGA in Wareham on Tuesday and to Shaws on Friday.

Town Nurse

Town Nurse Amanda Stone, RN, is available on Monday from 9:00 to 11:00 am at the Town Hall for Blood Pressure Screening and Health Counseling on a walk-in basis.

Rochester Women's Club

The Rochester Women's Club is now having their John Deere Lawn Tractor Raffle. Tickets are on sale now and the drawing will be June 21. The raffle is to benefit the club and all proceeds will go to the upkeep of the building. The drawing will be held at the club during their anual chowder supper. Tickets for the supper will be on sale soon. The tickets are $5 each for the tractor and $6.50 for the supper. For information on the raffle or the supper, please call 508-763-4965 or 508-763-3337. The John Deere Raffle is sponsored by R.F. Morse.

On May 17 the Rochester Women's Club will be holding a dance. Music will be by the Gypsy Lazissa'S Chick Band. The party starts at 7:30 pm. The bar is

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Continuing on a regular basis at the club is as follows: Mondays at 10:00 am Tai Chi with Walter Parks and Tuesday at 7:30 pm Kundalina Yoga with Ann Bramhall. These are both popular programs, please call the phone numbers above for more information.

Girl Scout Registration

The time to select your fall 2003 Girl Scout troop is now! Registration events for new Girl Scouts as well as re-registration events for current members will be happening in 71 cities and towns throughout southeastern Massachusetts from the end of April through mid May. To find out more about the events in your town, go to **www.gscsm.org** and click on "Events List" under registration for the fall, or call Girl Scout Council of Southeastern Massachusetts' Membership Hotline at 1-800-242-0925, extension 48.

To save time at the event, follow the website directions for printing out your own registration form ahead of time, then bring it, along with a check for the $10 national membership fee made payable to **GSCSM**, and be in and out in no time! The registration process cannot be completed online. That happens in person, at

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Boating Basics in Fairhaven

A free Massachusetts Boating Basics Course will be held at the Fairhaven Police Department Training Room on Washington Street in Fairhaven on May 6, 13, 14 and 20 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Five night attendance and pre-registration are required. To register, contact the Fairhaven Harbormaster at 508-984-4529.

Massachusetts Boating Basics is offered to the public at no charge. The primary purpose of Boating Basics is to foster safe boat operation through increased awareness of required safety equipment, safe boating practices, and legal responsibilities.

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supervision, as required by state law. This course will also satisfy the state requirements for personal watercraft users who are 16 and 17 years of age. All graduates will be issued a course completion diploma and a Safety Certificate. Taking the class as a family is encouraged and has proven highly rewarding. The course is co-sponsored by the Massachusetts Environmental Police, the Fairhaven Harbormaster, and the Fairhaven Police Department.

ORR Preschool Program

The Old Rochester Regional School District is initiating a preschool progam to be housed at the high school that will serve as a lab school setting for ORR students pursuing an early childhood education career path. The program will include two groups — a class for three-year-olds meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays and a class for four-year-olds meeting on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Children must be the appropriate age by August 31 and toilet trained.

Opening in September, the program will run from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon each day and follow the public school calendar. Parents will be responsible for providing transportation. Preferences for enrollment will be given to residents of Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester.

A certified teacher as well as high school students who have successfully completed a course in Child Development or have a recommendation from a faculty member will staff the classroom. Adherence to strict standards of confidentiality will be required fo all high school students.

Applications are available at all elementary schools, the high school, the Early Childhood Office, and the Superintendent's Office. Tuition, which will be paid monthly, is $1,080 for three-year-olds and $1,620 for four-year-olds.

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tions received by May 15, 2003. Enrollment is limited to 15 children per class. (Residents of Marion, Mattapoisett or Rochester will be given preference for enrollment.) Children will be selected according to application date. However, an attempt will be made to balance the enrollment of boys and girls in each class as well as students from each town.

For more information, please contact Early Childhood Coordinator Jane Taylor at 508-748-1863.

Mattapoisett Public Library

Old Time Radio

Join the Mattapoisett Free Public Library for the continuation of their Old Time Radio Series on Tuesday nights, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Listen, learn and share the experience, featuring the Great American Music Series. These one-hour Music "rock-u-mentaries" cover the artists, studios and producers who have given us the Great Music of the 20th Century.

The Phase Three Schedule is titled "All That Jazz!" and will include:

• April 29 – George Gershwin: "Gershwin, By George";

• May 6 – Peggy Lee: "Manana"; and

• May 13 – Fred Astaire: "Top Hat, White Tie, and Tails."

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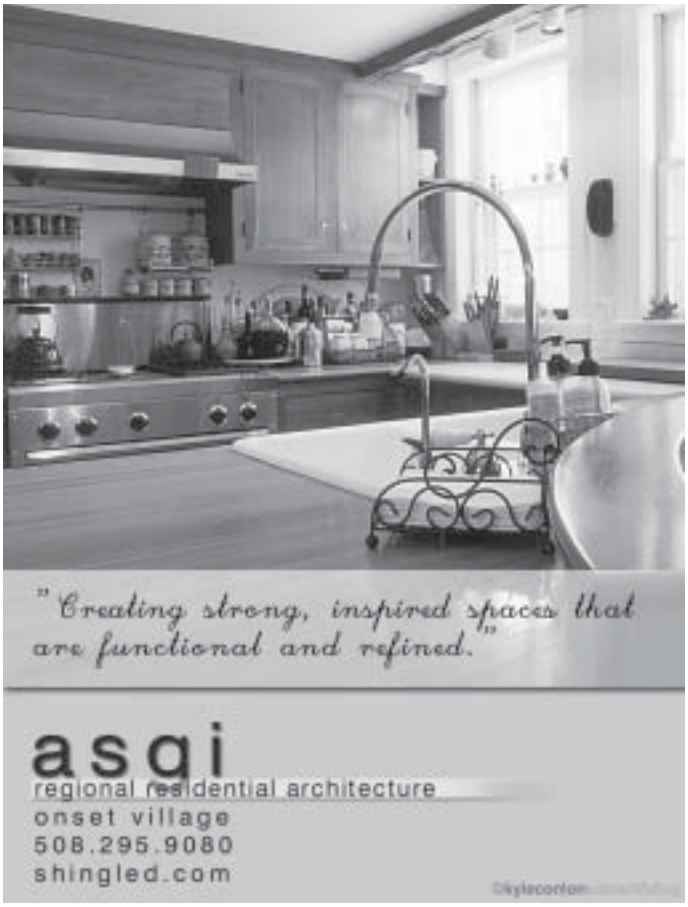

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year, the Tuesday Night Radio Program has been rescheduled for May 20, at the end of *Phase 3: All That Jazz*.

Produced by KDHX, FM 88.1 Community Radio in St. Louis, MO, the "Great American Music Series" was made possible with the support of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and the Regional Arts Commission of St. Louis, MO. Mattapoisett's program is federally funded with LSTA funds through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. For more information, please contact the MFPL at 508-758-4171. Senior Citizens needing transportation should contact Cynthia Paige at the Mattapoisett Council on Aging at 508-758-4110.

Vendors Wanted in Rochester

The Rochester Country Fair is looking for vendors for this year's fair. The dates of the fair are August 23 and 24. Spaces, 12 by 12, are $35 each day for goods and $50 for food vendors. The fair begins at 10:00 am and the last scheduled event is 6:00 pm. Applications are available online at **www.rochesterma.com,** by writing the Rochester Country Fair, P.O. Box 321, Rochester, MA 02770, or by calling Bev Loves Books at 508-763-5503. Be sure to call soon ... space is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Loft School Fair

The Loft School in Marion will be holding its Annual Fair on Saturday, May 10 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This year's theme of "Out of This World" will include an inflatable moonwalk, games for all ages, crafts, Mother's Day booths, bake sale, morning and afternoon refreshments, silent auction and raffle items including Titleist golf clubs, pen and ink drawings, landscape design consultant, round of golf at the Kittansett Country Club and much more! Join them at 124 Front Street, behind St. Gabriel's Church, for a fun and worthwhile

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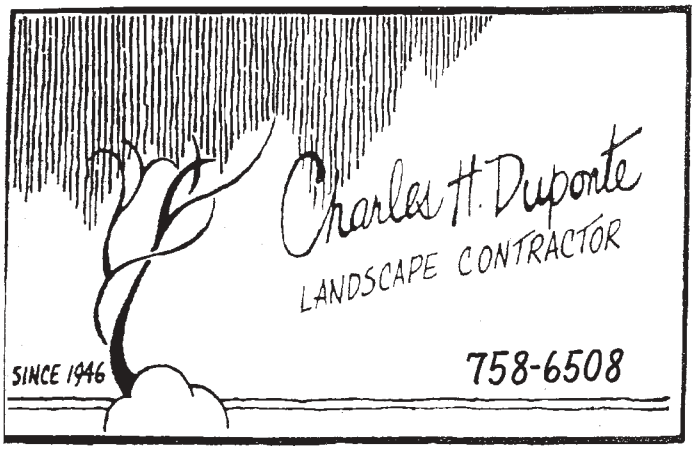

event! For questions, please call Jenni Strand at 508-748-1243.

Fairhaven Reading Program

The Fairhaven Millicent Library's Summer Reading Program for ages 0 to 14 will run from June 23 to August 6. Participants will receive a certificate signed by the governor, fun prizes and coupons for time spent reading. "Read! Think! Create! @ Your Library" is the theme. Performers will appear every Wednesday at 10:00 am (June 25 - July 30). Drop-in craft projects will be held on Friday from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm (June 27 - July 25). The summer celebration will end with the Teddy Bear Picnic on August 6. Participation is FREE. For more

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Mattapoisett Easter Service

The public is invited to celebrate Easter with the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, United Church of Christ at 7:00 am at the Gazebo in Shipyard Park, or at either 8:30 am or 10:00 am in the Meetinghouse, 27 Church Street. Please bring a canned good for the Community Food Pantry.

Class of 1973 Reunion

The New Bedford High School Class of 1973 will hold its 30th Anniversary Reunion on Saturday, November 29 from 6:30 pm to 12:00 midnight at White's of Westport, Plymouth Room, 66 State Road, Westport, MA 02790. The cost is $40 per person. Please visit the website **http://home.earthlink.net/~nbhs73reunion** to update your current name, mailing address, and e-mail address. If you prefer, you may mail this same information to: NBHS Class of 1973, P.O. Box 256, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Please respond by June 1, 2003.

Mattapoisett Spring Clean-Up

To commemorate Earth Day, the Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT) will hold an in-service day on Saturday, April 26 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon to clean up and spruce up the Munro and Dunseith properties and to acquaint volunteers with these MLT holdings. Please bring work gloves, rakes, shovels, and clippers. The MLT will provide additional tools. Refreshments will be provided. Choose to meet at either the Dunseith Gardens parking lot (Seahorse property) or the Munro property (on the harbor at the south end of Pearl Street). Rain date will be Saturday, May 3.

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Marion Town Election

Absentee ballots are now available at the Marion Town Clerk's office for the local election to be held on Friday, May 2 at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street. Anyone wishing to vote prior to the election due to absence from town on election day may vote in the office during regular business hours (8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Thursday, and 8:00 am to 3:30 pm on Friday) prior to 12:00 noon on Thursday, May 1. Upon receipt of a written application, absentee ballots will be mailed to voters who are out of the area. For further information, please call Town Clerk/Treasurer/Collector Debra Blanchette at 508-748-3505.

The Annual Town Meeting will begin on Monday, April 28, 2003 at 6:45 pm in the Sippican School Auditorium and the Election will be held in the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, on Friday, May 2, 2003 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Rochester Historical Society

Be sure to check out the Rochester Historical Society's website at **www.plumblibrary.com/historicalsociety.html**. The site showcases a collection of historic photos of the Town of Rochester, lists Society officers, gives information on meeting dates and speakers, and has links to other sites of interest. For more information on the Historical Society, please contact President

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The event is followed by a two-hour ride through the beautiful back roads of Bristol County. The ride will then conclude at The Highlander in Acushnet. For your enjoyment, there will be music, games and raffles. Food and drink will also be available. Last year the event had a great turnout, and this year should be even better!

If you would like more information, please call Cathy Melanson, Development Director, at 508-996-1983, or Richard or Raymond Canastra at 508-990-0799.

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To learn more about tick-borne illnesses and how to prevent them, please pull up a chair at our FREE informational presentation, "Lyme Disease in Your Backyard … and other tick-borne illnesses," presented by Linda Hilliard, RN, CRNA, BA, member of the Tick-Borne Disease Advisory Committee - MDPH and President of the Lyme Disease Association of Massachusetts, Inc.

The presentation will take place on Tuesday, May 6, from 7:00 to 8.30 pm in the auditorium of Sippican Elementary School, on Spring Street in Marion.

For more information, please call MaryAnn Ashe, Marion Board of Health Secretary, at 508-748-3530. The program is sponsored by the Marion, Rochester, and Mattapoisett Boards of Health and the Friends of the Marion Visiting Nurses.

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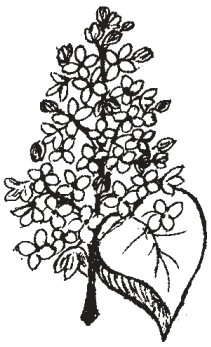

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• **Wednesday, May 14** – Family Water Walk. The group will dive into different wetland and aquatic habitats to see who lives where and how similar habitats (a pond and a slow moving river) are the same and how they differ.

• **Wednesday, June 4** – Skin and Scales. Herpetologist Leo Spinner will bring in many examples of snakes, turtles and other reptiles to discuss the life histories, habitat requirements and other aspects of these animals.

Summer Program 2003

All Summer 2003 Programs will be held from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, Monday through Friday.

• Life Along the Shore (Grades entering 1-2) – This program will find participants seining the shore and exploring the plants and animals that live in the area's coastal habitats. With the use of games, journals and introductory science techniques, this will be a wonderful first look at life in our coastal environment. Cost is $150 for members, $200 for non-members and runs July 7-18 (Session I) and August 4-15 (Session II).

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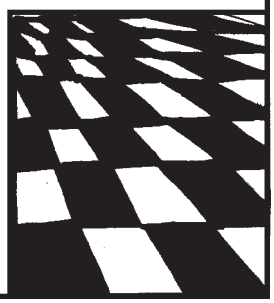

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Godspell in Fairhaven

Encore Productions will present *Godspell* at the Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium on May 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10 at 8:00 pm and on May 4 and 11 at 2:00 pm. *Godspell,* which was conceived and originally directed by John Michael Tebelek with music and new lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, opened at the Cherry Lane Theater on May 17, 1971 and was an immediate hit with audiences. It moved to Broadway in 1976 and ran for a total of 2,651 performances.

Godspell is based on the Gospel of St. Matthew where Jesus Christ preaches through parables and storytelling. The show, which is not built on a traditional plot, utilizes clowning, pantomime, charades, acrobats, and vaudeville to tell the story of Christ. The cast and crew are local talent from Fairhaven, New Bedford, Acushnet, Mattapoisett, Brockton, and Bristol, RI and stars Kevin McCarthy as Jesus and Eddie Camara in the dual role of John the Baptist and Judas. They are supported by an enchanting group of followers that include

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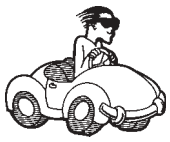

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The production is directed by Bruce W. Lackey who keeps the jokes current and the flavor local. Meredith Macknight keeps you humming along with her musical supervision. The charming choreography is provided by Kathy Smith. The costumes are bright and cheery and designed and built by Marilyn Cleveland. David Lebeau provides the lighting and sound with the set being designed and constructed by Tracey Harrison and Jeremy Packer. The entire production is produced by Lisa Stoeckle.

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Millions of people worldwide have attended "Walk Through the Bible" seminars and this great learning experience is open to persons of all denominations who have an interest in learning more about the Bible.

The seminar will be held at the church and run from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday, May 3. The seminar cost is $20 per person, which includes all materials. Lunch is available for $5. Reservations can be made by calling the Church Office at 508-763-4314.

Marion Sippican Seniors

The Sippican Seniors next monthly meeting will be held on Friday, May 9 at the Marion VFW Hall on Route 6 in Marion at 1:30 pm. Entertainment will be provided by the Kathy Medina School of Dance and refreshments will be served. Please come and bring a friend, the building is handicap accessible. Jan's Table will be having a "Closeout Sale."

The June meeting will be the Annual Chicken Bake on June 1, 2003 at the Marion VFW at 12:30 pm. Tickets will be available at the May Meeting or by calling

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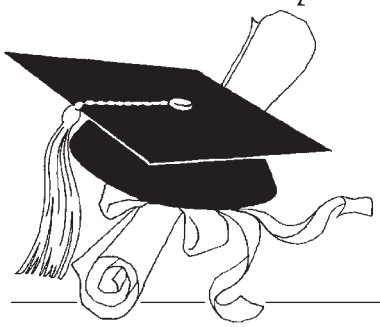

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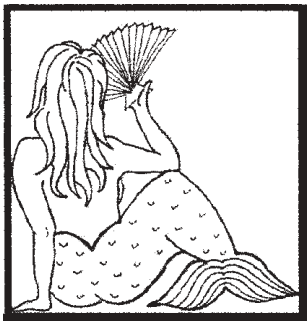

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North Fairhaven Yard Sale

The Annual North Fairhaven Yard Sale, sponsored by the Church of the Good Shepherd, will be held on Saturday, May 24 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at 357 Main Street in North Fairhaven. In case of rain, it will be held the following day, Sunday, May 25 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm. Individual yard sales will be held throughout the area, and the Church of the Good Shepherd will have a giant sale at the church, including a lunch menu. Rental for crafters, businesses and individuals is $15 (non-refundable) or $20 the day of the sale. Spaces will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. A map listing all the area yard sales will be available at the church on the morning of the sale. To get your free listing on the "Yard Sale Map," or for more information, please call Brenda at 508-997-9764.

Marion Art Center

Two-Person Show

A two-person show is now on display at the Marion Art Center. Paintings by Brooks Kelly and sculpture by Anne Dean will be installed in both galleries.

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many ties to Marion where she and many members of her family spend the summers together in the seaside village. Ms. Dean is a graduate of Tufts University with a BFA degree. She received her MA in Education from Antioch University and and MA in Metaphysics from the University of Metaphysics in California. She has taught ceramics in several schools around Boston including Middlesex, Noble and Greenough, Walnut Hill and Dedham Country Day where she was head of the art department. Her work is in the permanent collection of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.

After a 25-year career in the Ceramic Arts, "I developed an allergy to clay and glazes which made it impossible for me to continue in the field of ceramics … so I began to experiment with different mediums in search of one I felt deeply connected to and excited about," she said. She finally found it after taking a course at the Carving Studio and Sculpture Center in West Rutland, Vermont. And that medium is stone. "I love the way the stone suggests what it chooses to become through a very organic interplay with me … Being able to

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***Laurel Canyon*. Starring Frances McDormand, Christian Bale, and Kate Beckinsale. Directed by Lisa Cholodenko. Running time: 103 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At the Bijou in Fairhaven.**

Jane (Frances McDormand), a California record producer who's hung out with most of the greats, has a theory about pop music: "Either it pulls you in or it leaves you cold." The highly intelligent and enjoyable indie film *Laurel Canyon* may leave some people cold — it is, after all, about the pains and problems of the well-off — but it pulled me in with its friendly, inclusive, nonjudgmental appraisal of human nature. Writer-director Lisa Cholodenko, whose previous film was 1998's *High Art*, likes to poke around in the psyches of creative people (or their hangers-on) and see what happens; here, she adds some rather uncomfortable almost-familial infidelity to the mix.

Jane is a proudly unreconstructed flower child, endlessly getting high with the guys whose album she's producing, and flirting with a longer-lasting-than-usual relationship with one of them, lead singer Ian (Alessandro Nivola). "We have a deep connection," she explains to her grown son Sam (Christian Bale), a Harvard Med graduate interning at a psych ward. Sam's heard this before; he counters with the names of various partners (male and female) Jane has been deeply connected with in the past. Yeah, but Ian is different, perhaps starting with the fact that he's sixteen years younger than she is.

Sam is staying in his mother's house with his girlfriend Alex (Kate Beckinsale), who dutifully toils on her dissertation on the reproductive habits of fruit flies while Ian's band blares in Jane's nearby home studio. Sam finds Jane "embarrassing," even attempting to pass her off as "mentally undeveloped," but you sense a childhood full of hectic fun times that Sam needed to escape. He and Alex are supposed to be looking at apartments, but Alex, who takes a liking to Jane, doesn't seem to be hunting too hard; neither does Sam, who lingers too long in the car with alluring fellow resident Sara (Natascha McElhone), who's been giving him rides to work and seems to want other rides with him.

Frances McDormand cheerfully turns Jane into the polar opposite of the forbidding, anti-drug mom she played in *Almost Famous*; the two performances function as bookends. (Yet both mothers ultimately let their sons go off to become their own persons, and would probably get along with each other on that basis.) Jane's relationship with Sam (played by Bale with flustered decency) is by far the most intriguing aspect of the movie. There's a rather poignant snapshot of her cuddling Sam as a serious-faced little boy, perhaps already a seasoned veteran of his mom's excesses. You feel that Jane would like Sam to loosen up a bit, but also needs him just as he is; she has produced a self-reliant son, too straight for his own good, yet honestly who he is. The two actors weave a fine thread of mutually exasperated respect and love.

When Alex begins to enjoy Jane's company a bit too much — expressing some of the wildness she's repressed for too long — *Laurel Canyon* takes an uneasy turn but plays it mostly for erotic comedy. A son's worst nightmare — your girlfriend making out with your mom — is hinted at but not explored; Cholodenko rightly senses that this would derail the movie's emphasis, which is on life's dissatisfactions rather than on sex. This writer-director, like the similar Nicole Holofcener (*Lovely and Amazing*), allows her smart characters to act stupidly but doesn't punish or scorn them for it. *Laurel Canyon* is an easygoing study of different kinds of foolishness, relaxing into human flaws and coming up with something that feels fresh.

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What A Girl Wants (PG) – 1:10, 3:35, 7:00
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Anger Management (PG-13) – 1:05, 3:30, 7:05, 9:25
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work in the abstract as well as realistic keeps me interested and involved as each perspective demands a very different approach to the stone." The pieces in this exhibition are her first in this medium.

Brooks Kelly is a graduate of the Carnegie Institute of Technology (now Carnegie Mellon University) in Pittsburgh, where he earned a BFA degree. A longtime resident of Pembroke, MA, Mr. Kelly has served as President of the Pembroke Arts Festival and is an active member of the Cape Cod Art Association, the Duxbury Art Association, the North River Arts Society, the South Shore Art Center, the Plymouth Guild, and the prestigious Copley Society of Boston where he holds the title of Copley Master.

His colorful acrylic and collage works feature his bold, impressionistic style. Frequently tinged with humor, his distinctive works are widely appreciated and collected nationwide. The recipient of numerous local and regional awards, Brooks Kelly has exhibited in dozens of solo and juried group shows during his distinguished career.

The sculpture and painting exhibition runs through May 14. The galleries at the Marion Art Center are open to the public Tuesday - Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Admission is free. The Marion Art Center is located at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets, kitty corner to the Marion Town Hall.

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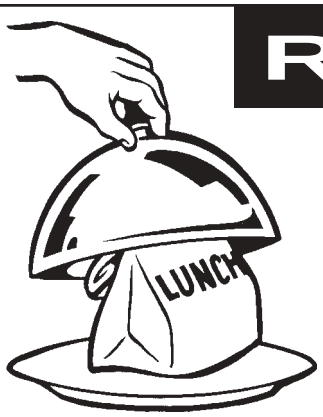

• ACUSHNET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, April 28 – Hamburger with fries, grilled cheese, potato puffs, corn, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 29 – Chicken chow mein sandwich, bologna sandwich, rice, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 30 – Spaghetti and meatballs, ham sandwich, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, milk.

• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, April 28 – Cream of broccoli soup, BBQ chicken, O'Brien potatoes, multi-grain roll, apple.

Tuesday, April 29 – Penne pasta with meat sauce, tossed salad with tomatoes, Italian dressing, French roll, cherry smoothie, fresh fruit.

Wednesday, April 30 – Sliced turkey with gravy, cranberry sauce, whipped potato, winter squash, dinner roll, birthday cake, graham waffle.

Thursday, May 1 – Stuffed peppers, confetti rice, carrots, rye bread, chocolate pudding, sugar-free pudding.

Friday, May 2 – Macaroni and cheese, escalloped tomato, oatmeal bread, peaches in light syrup.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, April 28 – Chicken tenders, potato puffs, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 29 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, fries, lettuce, tomato, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 30 – Stuffed shells, garlic bread, toasted cheese, salad, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, May 1 – Oven baked chicken, mashed potato, corn, meatball sub, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, May 3 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, chicken salad, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, April 28 – Kentucky style chicken, Steak'Um and cheese sub, mac rib, baked pork chop with gravy, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled peaches, chilled pineapple.

Tuesday, April 29 – Cheese ravioli with sauce and grated mozzarella, grilled cheese sandwich, hamburger/cheeseburger, oven fries, carrots, chilled pears, cherry jello with topping.

Wednesday, April 30 – Taco boat with all the fixings, chicken fajita wrap with salsa, shaved turkey and lettuce sub, Spanish rice, green beans, mixed fruit, chocolate chip cookie.

• FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, April 28 – Italian meatball grinder with sauce, grated mozzarella, French bread pizza, Steak'Um and cheese, mac rib, shoestring fries, baked beans, chilled pears, mixed fruit.

Tuesday, April 29 – Kentucky style chicken, baked pork chop with gravy, hamburger/cheeseburger, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled peaches, raspberry jello with topping.

Wednesday, April 30 – Jumbo cheese ravioli with meat sauce, grated mozzarella, garlic bread, double grilled cheese sandwich, turkey/lettuce/tomato grinder, potato puffs, carrots, chilled pears, baked apple with topping.

• HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL, FAIRHAVEN

Monday, April 28 – Kentucky style chicken, steak and cheese grinder, baked pork chop with gravy, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled peaches, chilled pineapple.

Tuesday, April 29 – Cheese ravioli with sauce and grated mozzarella, grilled cheese sandwich, hamburger/cheeseburger, oven fries, carrots, chilled pears, cherry jello with topping.

Wednesday, April 30 – Taco boat with all the fixings, chicken fajita wrap with salsa, shaved turkey and lettuce sub, Spanish rice, green beans, mixed fruit, chocolate chip cookie.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, April 28 – Chicken tenders, potato puffs, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 29 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, fries, lettuce, tomato, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 30 – Stuffed shells, garlic bread, toasted cheese, salad, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, May 1 – Oven baked chicken, mashed potato, corn, meatball sub, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, May 3 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, chicken salad, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, April 28 – Cheeseburger, ham roll-up, spicy fries, peas, peaches, frosted cake.

Tuesday, April 29 – Chicken soup, toasted ham and cheese, hash brown patty, carrots, jello.

Wednesday, April 30 – Taco, chicken fajita, tortilla chips, salsa, corn, mixed fruit.

Thursday, May 1 – Chicken chow mein sandwich, teriyaki chicken over rice, stir-fry vegetables, fruit, dessert.

Friday, May 2 – Cheese pizza, seafood salad roll, potato chips, peas, pears, assorted dessert.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL, MATTAPOISETT

Monday, April 28 – Chicken tenders, potato puffs, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 29 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, fries, lettuce, tomato, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 30 – Stuffed shells, garlic bread, toasted cheese, salad, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, May 1 – Oven baked chicken, mashed potato, corn, meatball sub, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, May 3 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, chicken salad, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

• ORR JUNIOR and SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, April 28 – Soup, BBQ ribs, hot dog, McCrispy chicken, potato puffs, pickle, dessert, juice or milk.

Tuesday, April 29 – Soup, chicken parmesan, steak with cheese roll, oven fries, pickle, dessert, juice or milk.

Wednesday, April 30 – Soup, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken wings, grilled cheese, salad, garlic bread, green beans, dessert, juice or milk.

Thursday, May 1 – Soup, chicken salad, hot dog, ham and cheese sub, Italian sub, oven potato puffs, pickle, fruit, juice or milk.

Friday, May 2 – Chicken nuggets with fries, ham and cheese croissants, salad, dessert, juice or milk.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, April 28 – Chicken tenders, potato puffs, peas, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 29 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, fries, lettuce, tomato, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 30 – Stuffed shells, garlic bread, toasted cheese, salad, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, May 1 – Oven baked chicken, mashed potato, corn, meatball sub, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, May 3 – Cheese or pepperoni stuffed crust pizza, chicken salad, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

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ORR Community Service

The Old Rochester Regional High School Community Service Learning Program is taking part in the Alan Feinstein Challenge. Philanthropist Alan Feinstein has challenged schools to help raise $100 million for the fight against hunger in America. The purpose is to collect food items for local anti-hunger agencies and deliver them through April 30. The top 50 participating schools win $1,000 cash and national recognition for their efforts. In addition, the Feinstein Foundation will distribute $1 million to the anti-hunger agencies in proportion to the amount of food collected on their behalf.

The students at ORR High School ask you to please consider helping them meet this challenge by sending non-perishable foods to any Old Rochester Regional school. Upon delivery, please state that the donation(s) is for the Feinstein Challenge sponsored by the Community Service Learning Program.

Mattapoisett Club Scholarships

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club will award two scholarships this year. Please note: An applicant must be a resident of Mattapoisett. Two $1,000 scholarships will be available for seniors at the local high schools. Applications are available at the guidance office of each local school (both public and private). The third scholarship of $500 is for a resident re-entering a post-secondary school after a significant period of interruption. Applications may be obtained by calling Florrie Smith at 508-758-2140.

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INNER VIEWS

Building Block

By Kenneth J. Souza
news@wanderer.com

A vocal group of Marion residents went before the Board of Selectmen last week to express their extreme displeasure over the fact that they had recently met with former Town Administrator and current contracted Building Commissioner Ray Pickles to inform him they did not intend to renew his three-year contract when it expires June 1. The board members had come to the conclusion that Marion's dual part-time Building Commissioner and Building Inspector slots should now be rolled into a single, full-time position — a move that would bring the town in line with many other Massachusetts municipalities.

Although no one was debating the capabilities and talents of Mr. Pickles — a man who worked for the town for nearly 30 years and still retains an encyclopedic knowledge of all-things-Marion — the majority of those attending the unscheduled session last week built their case solely on Mr. Pickles' personal merits and failed to see the potential need for the expanded role. Resident and contractor Victor Brier, who spearheaded the pro-Ray rally, questioned the wisdom of establishing a higher-paid, full-time position in the current economic climate and accused the Selectmen of simply wanting to get rid of Mr. Pickles.

"So, what you're saying is you're not satisfied with the job Ray Pickles is doing?" Mr. Brier asked the board.

But Selectmen Chairman Benjamin Bryant made it clear they had been looking at changing and/or expanding the position since last December as a means of better dealing with zoning enforcement and increased by-law development. "We felt the time devoted to this position wasn't enough, so we looked at ways to expand it," Selectman Bryant said. "We think more time is needed (for the Building Commissioner) to be here and available to the public."

Ironically, the public seemed to feel their needs were being met just fine by Building Commissioner Pickles and Marion's two part-time Building Inspectors — and they told the board as much last week. But when you look at the big picture, I think you can also see the benefit of having a point-person available on a full-time basis to deal with day-to-day questions and problems that arise. Being "just a phone call away," as Mr. Brier touted of Mr. Pickles, is neither convenient nor beneficial when you're trying to meet construction deadlines and resolve by-law issues.

If the Marion Selectmen erred in this situation, it was in not making their thought process public until dropping the bombshell on Mr. Pickles during an Executive Session meeting. If their intent since last December was to push to fund a full-time Building Commissioner position on the upcoming April 26 Town Meeting warrant, this should have been discussed openly some time ago via their regular meetings. That Mr. Pickles responded by sending a letter to several town contractors and notifying the press himself smacks of clandestine, behind-closed-doors politics which doesn't sit well with yours truly. They also didn't gauge Mr. Pickles interest in taking on the added full-time duties, and admitted this was an omission on their part during the meeting.

But given Marion's anomalous part-time Building Commissioner and Building Inspectors structure, it seems more logical to have three part-time positions handled by a single full-time town employee — at a pay rate that would likely cost taxpayers less than 40 hours a week when compared to three part-time slots averaging 20 hours each. Although Rochester gets by with a part-time Building Inspector, the more comparable Mattapoisett has employed a full-time Inspector of Buildings for some time.

Whether the proposed expanded full-time position is filled by Mr. Pickles or someone else, it's a move that ultimately makes sense, despite the residents' obvious resistance to change. "This is a unique situation in Marion," Selectman Bryant said. "We've really wrestled with keeping the same system ... (but) there's not enough hours to coordinate things, there's not enough supervision going on."

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Marion Candidates Forum

With the town facing severe budget constraints and reductions in state aid, how would you approach fiscal spending if (re)elected?

Stephen M. Cushing, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"Review current needs, monitor spending and prioritize future needs keeping in mind the need to educate our children, maintain infrastructure and effectively run town government."

David K. Pierce, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"During these difficult financial times, it is imperative to keep spending increases to a minimum."

What is the first and foremost aspect of Marion town government which should be changed?

Stephen M. Cushing, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"Communication between town government and the residents needs to be improved."

David K. Pierce, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"Municipal boards should be encouraged to work more closely together with a shared view of cooperation and vision for Marion."

Given the recent and ongoing school renovation projects, how do you view the future educational needs of Marion?

Stephen M. Cushing, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"We need to realistically fund our schools to ensure that the high educational standards of our schools is maintained."

David K. Pierce, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"With the new renovation projects being completed, we should have continued quality education and sufficient space for many years in the future."

What is your opinion of large-scale development projects and how they affect the town character?

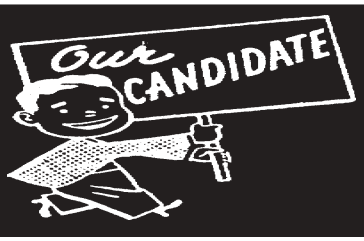
Stephen M. Cushing, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"Large scale developments will have an immediate negative affect on all town services, controlled growth is a must."

David K. Pierce, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"Large-scale developments would tax the infrastructure, add considerable direct costs to the taxpayers, and drastically change the character of the town that we currently enjoy."

What are the most important qualities which make you the ideal choice for this position?

Stephen M. Cushing, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"My business experience, common sense approach to problem solving, local knowledge and ability to make decisions based on the merits, facts and common sense."

David K. Pierce, Candidate
Marion Selectman (3 year term)
"I bring to the selectman's position nearly 20 years of experience, a solid understanding of town governance, and a willingness to work hard."



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Book Club in Marion

Another new program is set to take off at the Elizabeth Taber Library: A book discussion group open to the public. The first organizational meeting will be held on Sunday, May 4 at 3:00 pm in the main reading area. Please sign up now as space will be limited to 10 participants. The limit is necessary to ensure all who attend can participate in what promises to be a lively exchange of ideas about each book.

The first selection is the critically acclaimed *Seabiscuit: An American Legend* by Lauren Hillenbrand which is an inspired biography of the famous racehorse. According to Joan Healy, the founder of this program and a Trustee of the Library, "This is a wonderful story of the triumph of spirit against all odds." She added: "The only qualifications necessary to join our book discussion group are the love of reading and the desire to share your ideas with others."

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17 Brought down the house
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23 At rest
28 Brooch
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32 Coming from Krakow
33 Current unit
35 Musical Dinah
37 Small shots
38 One of the Marches
39 The end?
40 Cheat
41 Spice-rack item
42 Tough
43 Look the other way
44 Muppet drummer
50 Retainer
51 Adam's grandson
53 French painter
55 Out of control
56 Actor Mostel
57 Spirit
59 Promotes
61 Works in the lab
63 The 3 —
64 Bald bird
67 Where to find Alice
71 Impartial
72 Barbra's "Funny Girl" co-star
73 Oenophile's mecca
75 Architectural feature
76 Leave port
77 More obsequious
83 Emulate Ungaro
86 Crystal of country
88 Pants part
90 Reject
91 Fiorucci of fashion
93 Generic grade?
95 Hog hair
97 Bewitch
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101 Campy grp.?
102 "— It Up" ('73 hit)
104 Steak or lobster
106 Memo letters
107 Paradoxical
108 Type of fastener
109 North Pole sight
110 I.M. the architect
111 Man the bar
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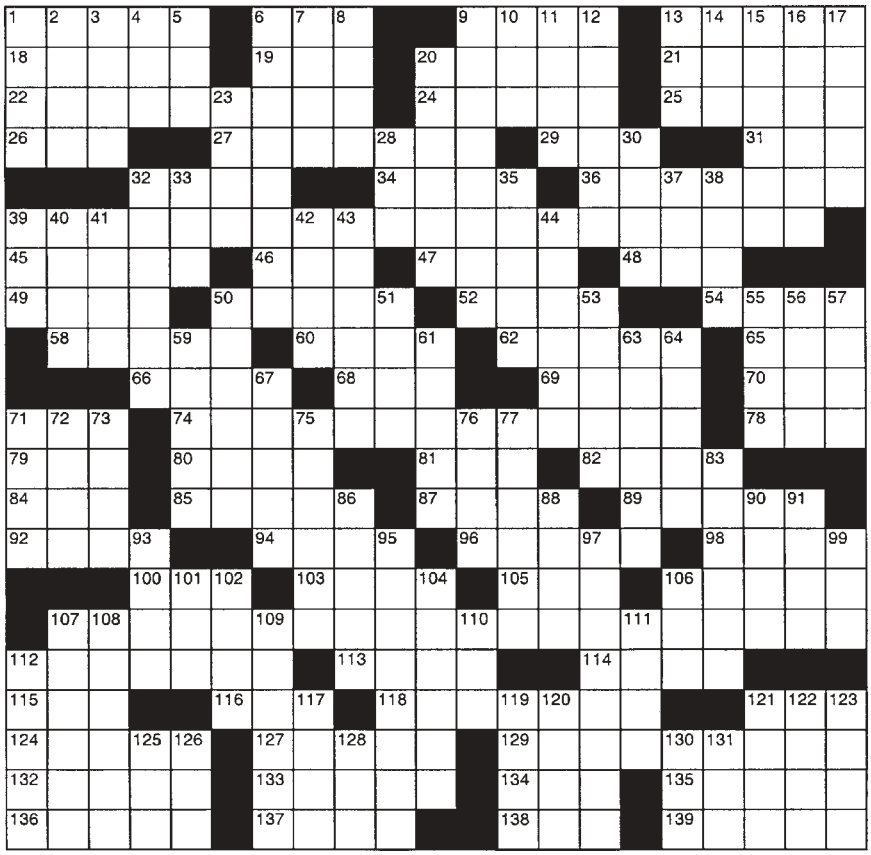

SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You easily handle your tasks this week, thanks to those high energy levels that never seem to run down. But pace yourself, Lamb, for the demanding week ahead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) With the arts dominant this week, you might want to pick up any of those creative projects you've neglected. A workplace situation benefits from some fresh insight.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Music helps replenish your energy levels. Play your CDs if you must. But a live concert could prove more rewarding, especially if you go with that very special someone.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Close friends reach out to help perk up your lagging social life. That workplace situation also eases, leaving you time to do more fun things by week's end.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A revelation clears up that perplexing job-related problem. Some changes will have to be made, which, no doubt, will meet with the Big Cat's roaring approval. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Reaching out to someone in need is the noble thing to do. But try to restrain the temptation to add a lecture — no matter how well-intended — to your good deed.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) There could be another tough challenge to face before the month is over. But all that hard work is winning you lots of important recognition from your peers.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Keeping to your work schedule could prove difficult with all those personal distractions. Best advice: Stay with it. There'll be time later for socializing.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Jumping hurdles this week might be vexing for most, but not for the sage Sagittarian, who recognizes that meeting a challenge can open up opportunities.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) More obstacles might be thrown in your path as you try to finalize a new agreement. But the sure-footed Goat ignores the stumbling blocks and stays the course.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) We know the Water Bearer takes pleasure in giving to others. But why not let someone else enjoy the experience too by accepting that offer of help?

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might find you need to ease up on your hectic schedule this week. Don't fret about it. It could be helpful to take a break and replenish your energy supply.

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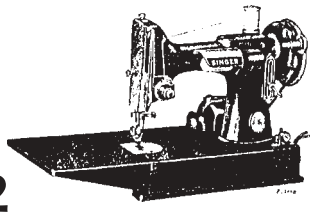

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"We hope this new program will bring together a broad range of members with a variety of perspectives for a stimulating dialogue" said Judie Kleven, Director of the Library. The resultant group will choose the reading selections for future meetings.

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BOARD OF APPEALS
#830 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Paul and Rita Legape who are seeking a special permit under section VIII.C.9.b.to allow construction of a two family dwelling at 21 Bryant Lane, Assessors plan 19 lot 1M. The public hearing will be conducted on Thursday, May 8, 2003 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.
Richard Manning, Chairman 04/24, 05/01

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
A public hearing has been scheduled for May 12, 2003 at 7:15pm in the first floor Conference Room of Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA upon the application of Judith L. Pasquill, 3 Newton Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 for an all alchoholic license for Turk's Seafood, 83 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA. The application to include an addition to building for a new bar area and enclosed seasonal patio.
Barry J. Denham, Chairman
Raymond H. Andrews, Clerk
Stephen J. Lombard 04/24, 05/01

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
A public hearing will be held upon the petition of NSTAR for (1) proposed pole location on Industrial Drive, Mattapoisett, MA. The proposed location is required to accomodate a new customer. Hearing will be held in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall on Monday, May 12, 2003 at 8:05pm.
Barry J. Denham, Chairman
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Stephen J. Lombard 04/24

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
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A public hearing will be held upon the petition of NSTAR for (1) proposed conduit on Ned's Point Road, Mattapoisett, MA. The proposed location is required to accomodate a new customer. Hearing will be held in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall on Monday, May 12, 2003 at 7:45pm.
Barry J. Denham, Chairman
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A public hearing will be held upon the petition of NSTAR for (1) proposed conduit on County Road, Mattapoisett, MA. The proposed location is required to serve a new customer. Hearing will be held in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall on Monday, May 12, 2003 at 7:55pm.
Barry J. Denham, Chairman
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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
A public hearing will be held upon the application of Dana L. Barrows, 13 Industrial Drive, Mattapoisett, MA. Mr. Barrows is applying for a Class II License for his business, Mattapoisett Truck & Equipment, L.L.C. located at 13 Industrial Drive. Hearing will be held in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall on Monday, May 12, 2003 at 7:30pm.
Barry J. Denham, Chairman
Raymond H. Andrews, Clerk
Stephen J. Lombard 04/24

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 7, 2003 at 7:10 PM in the main conference room of the Marion Town House on a Notice of Intent submitted by MICHAEL D. CARLOZZI to construct a 20' x 40' in-ground swimming pool at 120 Bullivant Farm Road, shown as Lot 84 on Marion Assessors' Map 9. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Robert J. Merlino, Chairman 04/24

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF ROCHESTER
SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD
Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Soil Conservation Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, April 30, 2003 at 7:15pm at the Rochester Town Hall regarding six Earth Removal By-Law changes for the Annual Town Meeting as follows:
Change the name of the Board; Better define Enforcement and Penalty provisions; Provide for Alternate Board members; Refine but not change the Agricultural Exemption; Clarify the requirement for annual reporting; Extend the time for Board decision after a hearing.
Copies of the Articles are on file at the Rochester Town Hall and may be reviewed Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm.
Ronald Belrose, Chairman 04/24

SPORTS QUIZ
By Chris Richcreek

1. Name the only four catchers in major-league history to have at least 2,000 hits, 1,000 runs scored, 300 homers and 1,200 RBIs.
2. Who was the last manager hired by the Kansas City Royals who also had previous major-league managing experience?
3. When was the last time Penn State notched back-to-back losing seasons in football before the 2000-2001 seasons?
4. Who was the last New York Knicks guard before Allan Houston in 2001-02 to average at least 20 points a game for a season?
5. How many times has Claude Lemieux won the Conn Smythe Trophy as the MVP of the Stanley Cup playoffs?
6. When did NASCAR start using the points system to determine the season's champion?
7. Who was the winner in men's singles at tennis' French Open in 2002?

Answers
1. Johnny Bench, Yogi Berra, Carlton Fisk and Gary Carter.
2. Dick Howser and Mike Ferraro, both with previous major-league managerial experience, managed the Royals in 1986.
3. It was 1931-1932.
4. Ray Williams averaged 20.9 points per game in 1979-80.
5. Once — in 1995 with New Jersey.
6. It was 1975.
7. Albert Costa, who beat Juan Carlos Ferrero in four sets.

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TRIVIA TEST
By Fifi Rodriquez

1. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was the former name of what became John F. Kennedy International Airport?
2. TELEVISION: Who played Eliot Ness on the original TV show "The Untouchables"?
3. LITERATURE: Who published "The Pump House Gang" in 1958?
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6. FOOD: Edam is a popular type of what?
7. GEOGRAPHY: Goshen was a region of which ancient land?
8. SCIENCE: Psephology is the study of what?
9. HISTORY: During which century did England's "Star Chamber" court first convene?
10. RELIGION: What was the religion of William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania?

Answers
1. Idlewild
2. Robert Stack
3. Tom Wolfe
4. Chubby Checker
5. 1941
6. Cheese
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This Sunday, South Coast Community Church is taking on a new challenge called "40 Days of Purpose." It is a six-week spiritual growth campaign that is designed to answer the question, "What on earth am I here for?" Together, the entire church family will learn about God's five purposes for our lives, and we will have opportunities to take steps of growth in each of the five purposes.

Local residents of the South Coast region are invited to join them on Sunday, April 27 at 10:00 am for a National Simulcast. During this exciting kick-off event, the church will join with hundreds of other churches by satellite who are also doing this campaign, to hear Pastor Rick Warren, the author of the book upon which the Campaign is based, called *The Purpose Driven Life*. The Simulcast features Rick Warren's life-message, which is based on the eternal truths of scripture and incorporates an inspirational overview of the five purposes. Woven throughout the motivational message are impacting songs which illustrate each point, performed by Saddleback

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SouthCoast Chamber Concert

The South Coast Chamber Music Society will present the final concert of their second season on Saturday, April 26 at 8:00 pm. This final concert will feature guest pianist, Shaylor Lindsay with Aija Silina, violin, and Timothy Roberts, cello in the *Piano Trio in B Major, op. 8* by Johannes Brahms and *Premiere Trio, op. 35* by Joachim Turina. Brahms, being a bit of a perfectionist, had written dozens of chamber works before the *B Major Piano Trio* but never allowed them to be published, instead committing them to the fire. The *B-Major Piano Trio* is the first chamber work that Brahms deemed to be worthy of publication ... and worthy it is! It has since become a very popular piece.

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Pianist Shaylor Lindsay resides in Lexington, MA and performs regularly throughout New England. She received her Bachelor of Arts from Brandeis University and her Master of Music from the New England Conservatory of Music. Ms Lindsay has appeared with such performing organizations as the Concord Orchestra, the Master Singers, and the Concord Chorus. She is also a frequent performer with chamber ensembles, including the Rosamunde Quartet and the Longy Artist Ensemble and appears annually on the First Parish Summer Series in Lexington. An accomplished accompanist, Ms. Lindsay has presented recitals with leading artists, including D'Anna Fortunato, Rockland Osgood, Lynn Torgrove, and Daniel McKelway. She is currently on the faculties of the Longy School of Music and the Waring School, and maintains a large teaching studio in Lexington.

Also on the program, flutist Claude Cobert and cellist Timothy Roberts will perform the exuberant *Jet Whistle* by Brazilian composer Heitor Villa-Lobos. This fantasy piece for flute and cello is primarily a musical joke, playing on the natural characteristics of both instruments and giving testament to Villa-Lobos' jocund nature. Rounding out the program, Aija Silina and Timothy Roberts will perform a lovely, baroque *Passacaglia* by George Frederick Handel, which has been arranged for duo by Halvorson.

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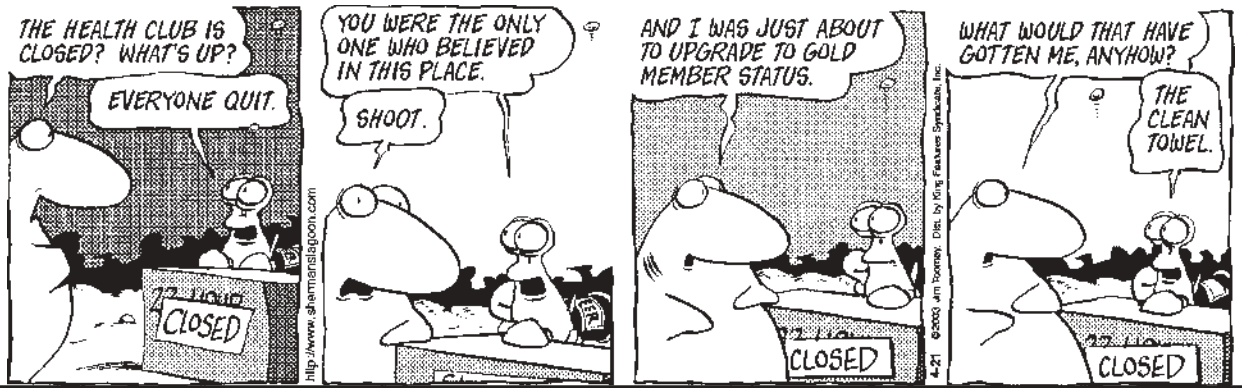

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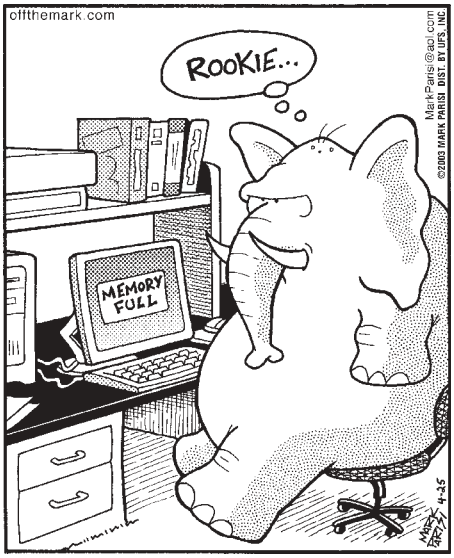

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